1. (Three Times Amended) A memory medium for use with a memory medium reading device, said memory medium storing image data for a plurality of images and image-reproduction instruction data specifying whether or not certain of the image data is to be output for being selectively reproduced in response to said memory medium reading device reading the image-reproduction instruction data and determining whether the image-reproduction instruction data is in the antecedence on-state or off-state.

2. (Twice Amended) A memory medium according to Claim 1, wherein said memory medium also stores a program for controlling selective reproduction of the image data based on the image-reproduction instruction [introduction] data.

3. (Not Amended) A memory medium according to Claim 1 or 2, wherein the image-reproduction instruction data is stored for each image data.

4. (Not Amended) A memory medium according to Claim 1 or 2, wherein the image-reproduction instruction data is provided for the name of each image data.

5. (Not Amended) A memory medium according to Claim 1 or 2, wherein the image-reproduction instruction data comprises

information for instructing image data to be selectively reproduced and stored in a specific file.

6. (Three Times Amended) An image output control method for use with a recording medium storing image data for a plurality of images and image-reproduction instruction data specifying whether or not certain of the image data is to be output for being selectively reproduced and determining whether the image-reproduction instruction data is in the on-state or the off-state, said method comprising:

a function of recognizing mounting of the recording medium;

a reading function of reading the image-reproduction instruction data recorded in the recording medium based on the recognition of the mounting; and

a generation function of performing image generation for output by selectively reading necessary image data from the information recording medium in accordance with the image-reproduction instruction data.

7. (Three Times Amended) An image output control apparatus for use with a recording medium storing image data for a plurality of images and image-reproduction instruction data specifying whether or not certain of the image data is to be

output for being selectively reproduced and determining whether the image-reproduction instruction data is in the on-state or the off-state, said apparatus comprising:

recognition means for recognizing mounting of the recording medium;

reading means for reading image-reproduction instruction data recorded in the recording medium based on the recognition of the mounting; and

generation means for performing image generation for output by selectively reading necessary image data from the information recording medium in accordance with the image-reproduction instruction data.

8. (Three Times Amended) An output control method for use with a medium storing image data representing a plurality of images and an image output program specifying whether or not certain of the image data is to be output for being selectively reproduced and determining whether the image-reproduction instruction data is in the on-state or the off-state, said method comprising:

a determination function of determining mounting of the medium;

a discrimination function of discriminating whether or not an image output program is stored in the medium

when the determination function has determined that the medium is mounted; and

a control function of controlling output so as to selectively output an image to be output in accordance with the image output program when the discrimination function has discriminated that the image output program is stored.

9. (Not Amended) An output control method according to Claim 8, wherein said control function has a function of determining whether or not image-reproduction instruction data is stored in the medium, and wherein when it has been determined that image-reproduction instruction data is stored, said control function controls output so as to selectively output image data instructed by the image-reproduction instruction data.

10. (Not Amended) An output control method according to Claim 8, wherein said control function includes a function of reading the image output program when the discrimination function has determined that the image output program is stored.

11. (Three Times Amended) An output control apparatus for use with a medium storing image data representing a plurality of images and an image output program specifying whether or not certain of the image data is to be output for

being selectively reproduced and determining whether the image-reproduction instruction data is in the on-state or the off-state, said apparatus comprising:

determination means for determining mounting of the medium;

discrimination means for discriminating whether or not an image output program is stored in the medium when said determination means has determined that the medium is mounted; and

control means for controlling output so as to selectively output an image to be output in accordance with the image output program when said discrimination means has discriminated that the image output program is stored.

12. (Not Amended) An output control apparatus according to Claim 11, wherein said control means has a function of determining whether or not image-reproduction instruction data is stored in the medium, and wherein if the result of the determination is affirmative, said control means controls output so as to selectively output image data instructed by the image-reproduction instruction data.

13. (Not Amended) An output control apparatus according to Claim 11, further comprising control means for

controlling output of the image to be output in accordance with an output program incorporated within said apparatus when said discrimination means has discriminated that the image output program is not stored in the medium.

14. (Not Amended) An output control apparatus according to Claim 13, wherein said control means includes a function of determining whether or not image-reproduction instruction data is stored in the medium, and wherein, when the result of the determination is affirmative, said control means controls output so as to selectively output image data instructed by the image-reproduction instruction data based on the output program incorporated with in said apparatus.

15. (Three Times Amended) An output control method for use with a medium storing image data for a plurality of images and an image output program specifying whether or not certain of the image data is to be output for being selectively reproduced and determining whether the image-reproduction instruction data is in the on-state or the off-state, said method comprising:

a determination function of determining whether or not the medium storing the image output program is present; and

a control function of controlling output so as to selectively output image data for an image to be output in accordance with the image output program if the result of the determination is affirmative.

16. (Not Amended) An output control method according to Claim 15, wherein said determination function also has a function of determining whether or not a medium storing image data is set.

17. (Not Amended) An output control method according to Claim 15, wherein said determination function determines whether or not the medium storing the image output program and a medium storing image data are set.

18. (Not Amended) An output control method according to Claim 15, wherein said determination function has a function of determining whether or not image data and image-reproduction instruction data are stored, and wherein, when it has been determined that these data are stored, said control function controls output so as to selectively output image data instructed by the image-reproduction instruction data.

19. (Not Amended) An output method according to Claim 15, wherein said control function includes a function of reading the image output program when said determination function has determined that the image output program is stored.

20. (Twice Amended) An output control method according to Claim 15 ~~[1,5]~~ wherein said determination function determines setting of a medium, setting of the medium storing the image output program, and setting of a medium storing image data.

21. (Three Times Amended) An output control apparatus for use with a medium storing image data for a plurality of images and an image output program specifying whether or not certain of the image data is to be output for being selective reproduced and determining whether the image-reproduction instruction data is in the on-state or the off-state, said apparatus comprising:

determination means for determining whether or not the medium storing the image output program is present; and

control means for controlling output so as to selectively output image data for an image to be output in accordance with the image output program if the result of the determination is affirmative.

22. (Not Amended) An output control apparatus according to Claim 21, wherein said determination means also has a function of determining whether or not a medium storing image data is set.

23. (Not Amended) An output control apparatus according to Claim 21, wherein said determination means determines whether or not the medium storing the image output program and a medium storing image data are set.

24. (Not Amended) An output control apparatus according to Claim 21, wherein said determination means has a function of determining whether or not image data and image-reproduction instruction data are stored, and wherein, when it has been determined that these data are stored, said control means controls output so as to selectively output image data instructed by the image-reproduction instruction data.

25. (Not Amended) An output control apparatus according to Claim 21, wherein said control means includes a function of reading the image output program when said determination means has determined that the image output program is stored.

26. (Not Amended) An output control apparatus according to Claim 21, wherein said determination means determines setting of a medium, setting of the medium storing the image output program, and setting of a medium storing image data.

27. (Not Amended) An image output control method according to Claim 6, wherein a program for controlling selective reproduction of the image data based on the image-reproduction instruction data is stored in the medium.

28. (Not Amended) An image output control method according to Claim 6, wherein the image-reproduction instruction data is stored for each image data.

29. (Not Amended) An image output control method according to Claim 6, wherein the image-reproduction instruction data is provided for the name of each image data.

30. (Not Amended) An image output control method according to Claim 6, wherein the image-reproduction instruction data comprises information for instructing image data to be selectively reproduced and stored in a specific file.

31. (Not Amended) An image control apparatus according to Claim 7, wherein a program for controlling selective reproduction of the image data based on the image-reproduction instruction data is stored in the medium.

32. (Not Amended) An image control apparatus according to Claim 7, wherein the image-reproduction instruction data is stored for each image data.

33. (Not Amended) An image control apparatus according to Claim 7, wherein the image-reproduction instruction data is provided for the name of each image data.

34. (Not Amended) An image control apparatus according to Claim 7, wherein the image-reproduction instruction data comprises information for instructing image data to be selectively reproduced and stored in a specific file.

35. (Not Amended) A method according to any one of Claims 6, 8 and 15, wherein the output is executed by one or hard copy output apparatuses, such as an ink-jet printer, a sublimation-type thermal printer, a silver-halide-film printer, and the like.

36. (Not Amended) An apparatus according to Claim 7 or 11, wherein the output is executed by one of hard copy output apparatuses, such as an ink-jet printer, a sublimation-type thermal printer, a silver-halide-film printer, and the like.

37. (Not Amended) A method according to any one of Claims 6, 8 and 15, wherein the output is executed by a soft-copy output apparatus, such as a cathode-ray tube, a liquid-crystal display, a plasma display or the like.

38. (Not Amended) An apparatus according to Claim 7 or 11, wherein the output is executed by a soft-copy output apparatus, such as a cathode-ray tube, a liquid-crystal display, a plasma display or the like.

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39. (Three Times Amended) A memory medium comprising:

a function of recognizing mounting of a recording medium storing image data for a plurality of images and image-reproduction instruction data specifying whether or not certain of the image data is to be output for being selectively reproduced and determining whether the image-reproduction instruction data is in the on-state or the off-state;

a reading function of reading the image-reproduction instruction data recorded in the recording medium based on the recognition of the mounting; and

a generation function of performing image generation for output by selectively reading necessary image data from the information recording medium in accordance with the image-reproduction instruction data.

40. (Three Times Amended) A memory medium comprising:

E8 a determination function of determining mounting of a medium storing image data representing a plurality of images and an image output program specifying whether or not certain of the image data is to be output for being selectively reproduced and determining whether the image-reproduction instruction data is in the on-state or the off-state;

a discrimination function of discriminating whether or not the image output program is stored in the medium when the determination function has determined that the medium is mounted; and

a control function of controlling output so as to selectively output an image to be output in accordance with the image output program when the discrimination function has discriminated that the image output program is stored.

41. (Three Times Amended) A memory medium comprising:

a determination function of determining whether or not a medium storing image data for a plurality of images and an image output program is present specifying whether or not certain of the image data is to be output for being selectively reproduced and determining whether the image-reproduction instruction data is in the on-state or the off-state; and

a control function of controlling output so as to selectively output only an image to be output in accordance with the image output program if the result of the determination by said determination function is affirmative.

42. (Three Times Amended) An image output control apparatus comprising:

recognition means for recognizing mounting of a recording medium which stores image data for a plurality of images and image-reproduction instruction data for specifying whether or not certain of the image data is to be selectively reproduced in response to the image-reproduction instruction data being read and determining whether the image-reproduction instruction data is in the on-state or the off-state;

reading means for reading the image-reproduction instruction data recorded in the recording medium based on the

recognition of the mounting of the recording medium by said recognition means; and

generation means for performing image generation for output by selectively reading necessary image data from the information recording medium in accordance with the image-reproduction instruction data.

43. (Not Amended) An image output control apparatus according to Claim 42, wherein a program for controlling reproduction of the image data based on the image-reproduction instruction data is stored in the recording medium.

44. (Not Amended) An image output control apparatus according to Claim 42 or 43, wherein the image-reproduction instruction data is stored for each image data.

45. (Not Amended) An image output control apparatus according to Claim 42 or 43, wherein the image-reproduction instruction data is provided for the name of each image data.

46. (Not Amended) An image output control apparatus according to Claim 42 or 43, wherein the image-reproduction instruction data comprises information for instructing image data to be selectively reproduced and stored in a specific file.

47. (Three Times Amended) An image output control apparatus comprising:

recognition means for recognizing reception of image data for a plurality of images and image-reproduction instruction data in a format so that certain of the image data can be selectively output for being selectively reproduced based on the image-reproduction instruction data and determining whether the image-reproduction instruction data is in the on-state or the off-state;

reading control means for reading the image-reproduction instruction data based on the recognition of reception of the image data and the image-reproduction instruction data by said recognition means; and

generation control means for selectively performing image generation for output for necessary image data from among the image data in accordance with the image-reproduction instruction data.

48. (Not Amended) An image output control apparatus according to Claim 47, wherein the image-reproduction instruction data is stored for each image data.

49. (Not Amended) An image output control apparatus according to Claim 47, wherein the image-reproduction instruction data is provided for the name of each image data.

50. (Not Amended) An image output control apparatus according to Claim 47, wherein the image-reproduction instruction data comprises information for instructing image data to be selectively reproduced and stored in a specific file.

51. (Not Amended) An image output control apparatus according to Claim 47, wherein said recognition means recognizes reception of the image-reproduction instruction data and the image data.

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52. (Three Times Amended) An image output control apparatus comprising:

data reading means for reading recorded data including image data for a plurality of images and image-output instruction data recorded in an information recording medium;

output-data generation processing means for outputting output data for output by reading only necessary image data from the information recording medium in accordance with the image-output instruction data;

output means for outputting the output data for being selectively reproduced;

data display means for displaying image-output instruction data and image data; and

data processing means for analyzing the image-output instruction data and determining whether the image-output instruction data is in the on-state or the off-state.

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53. (Not Amended) An image output control apparatus according to Claim 52, wherein said data display means displays a summary of data for specifying an image to be selectively output.

54. (Not Amended) An image output control apparatus according to Claim 52, wherein said data display means displays data for specifying image data recorded in the information recording media, and information indicating whether or not an instruction for selectively outputting the displayed image data is present.

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55. (Three Times Amended) An image output control apparatus comprising:

data reading means for reading recorded data including image data for a plurality of images and image-output instruction data recorded in an information recording medium;

output-data generation processing means for outputting output data for output by reading only necessary image data from the information recording medium in accordance with the image-output instruction data;

output means for displaying data for being selectively reproduced;

data processing means for analyzing the image-output instruction data and determining whether the image-output instruction data is in the on-state or the off-state; and

means for recognizing a number of prints currently outputtable by said apparatus.

56. (Not Amended) An image output control apparatus according to Claim 55, wherein said data display means comprises the total number of output prints obtained by said data processing means with the number of currently outputtable prints obtained by said means for recognizing the number of currently outputtable prints, and performs alarm display when the number of prints to be selectively output is larger than the number of outputtable prints.

57. (Three Times Amended) An image output control apparatus comprising:

means for accessing an information recording medium storing image data for a plurality of images and image-reproduction instruction data specifying whether or not the image data is to be selectively output for being reproduced and determining whether the image-reproduction instruction data is in the on-state or the off-state;

data reading means for reading recorded data including image data and image-output instruction data recorded in the information recording medium; and

determination means for determining whether or not erasure instruction data for erasure of certain image data is present in the recorded data,

wherein if said determination means has determined that erasure instruction data is present, image-output instruction data corresponding to the certain image data is erased based on the erasure instruction data.

58. (Not Amended) An image output control apparatus according to Claim 55, further comprising data editing means for editing data of the information recording medium.

59. (Three Times Amended) An image output control apparatus comprising:

reading means for reading image-reproduction instruction data for instructing whether or not image data is to be reproduced and recorded in an information recording medium storing the image data for a plurality of images and the image-reproduction instruction data so that the image-reproduction instruction data specifies an image for which image reproduction is instructed, and that the specified image data can be selectively output for being selectively reproduced and determining whether the image-reproduction instruction data is in the on-state or the off-state based on the image-reproduction instruction data;

generation means for performing image reproduction for output by reading necessary image data from the information recording medium in accordance with the read image-reproduction instruction data; and

skip means for skipping an operation of outputting an image corresponding to image data for which the image-reproduction instruction data is provided when that image data is absent in the information recording medium.

60. (Not Amended) An image output control apparatus according to Claim 59, further comprising result-of-operation display means for displaying a result of an operation of said apparatus, wherein, when an output operation has been skipped,

that fact is displayed using said result-of-operation display means.

61. (Amended) An image input control apparatus comprising:

input control means for inputting image data into a recording medium storing image data representing a plurality of images and image-reproduction instruction data specifying whether or not the image data is to be output for being selectively reproduced and determining whether the image-reproduction instruction data is in the on-state or the off-state; and

recording control means for recording image data corresponding to image-reproduction data for instructing whether or not image data is to be reproduced, based on a format provided so that image-reproduction instruction data specifies image data for which image reproduction is instructed.

62. (Twice Amended) An image output control apparatus according to Claim 61, wherein the image-reproduction instruction data and the image data are recorded in an information recording medium.

63. (Not Amended) A memory medium according to Claim 39, wherein a program for controlling selective reproduction of the image data based on the image-reproduction instruction data is stored in the recording medium.

64. (Not Amended) An image output control method according to Claim 39, wherein the image-reproduction instruction data is stored for each image data.

65. (Not Amended) An image output control method according to Claim 39, wherein the image-reproduction instruction data is provided for the name of each image data.

66. (Not Amended) An image output control method according to Claim 39, wherein the image-reproduction instruction data comprises information for instructing image data to be selectively reproduced and stored in a specific file.

67. (Not Amended) A method according to Claim 39, wherein the output is executed by one of hard copy output apparatuses, such as an ink-jet printer, a sublimation-type thermal printer, a sliver-halide-film printer, and the like.

68. (Not Amended) A method according to Claim 39, wherein the output is executed by a soft-copy output apparatus, such as a cathode-ray tube, a liquid-crystal display, a plasma display or the like.

69. (Not Amended) A method according to Claim 40, wherein the output is executed by a soft-copy output apparatus, such as a cathode-ray tube, a liquid-crystal display, a plasma display or the like.

70. (Not Amended) An output control method according to Claim 40, wherein said control function includes a function of reading the image output program when the discrimination function has determined that the image output program is stored.

71. (Not Amended) A method according to Claim 40, wherein the output is executed by one of hard copy output apparatuses, such as an ink-jet printer, a sublimation-type thermal printer, a sliver-halide-film printer, and the like.

72. (Not Amended) A method according to Claim 40, wherein the output is executed by a soft-copy output apparatus, such as a cathode-ray tube, a liquid-crystal display, a plasma display or the like.

73. (Not Amended) A method according to Claim 41, wherein the output is executed by a soft-copy output apparatus, such as a cathode-ray tube, a liquid-crystal display, a plasma display or the like.

74. (Not Amended) A method according to Claim 41, wherein the output is executed by a soft-copy output apparatus, such as a cathode-ray tube, a liquid-crystal display, a plasma display or the like.

75. (Not Amended) An output control method according to Claim 41, wherein said determination function has a function of determining whether or not image data and image-reproduction instruction data are stored, and wherein, when it has been determined that these data are stored, said control function controls output so as to selectively output image data instructed by the image-reproduction instruction data.

76. (Not Amended) An output control method according to Claim 41, wherein said determination function has a function of determining whether or not image data and image-reproduction instruction data are stored, and wherein, when it has been determined that these data are stored, said control function

controls output so as to selectively output image data instructed by the image-reproduction instruction data.

77. (Not Amended) An output control method according to Claim 41, wherein said determination function determines setting of a medium, setting of the medium storing the image output program, and setting of a medium storing image data.

78. (Not Amended) A method according to Claim 41, wherein the output is executed by one of hard copy output apparatuses, such as an ink-jet printer, a sublimation-type thermal printer, a sliver-halide-film printer, and the like.

79. (Not Amended) A method according to Claim 41, wherein the output is executed by a soft-copy output apparatus, such as a cathode-ray tube, a liquid-crystal display, a plasma display or the like.

REMARKS

The claims now pending in the application are Claims 1-79, the independent claims being Claims 1, 6, 7, 8, 11, 15, 21, 39-42, 47, 52, 55, 57, 59 and 61. The independent claims and dependent Claims 2, 20 and 62 have been amended.